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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 36 & 71

Part B for September 18

SUBJECT.

Forwards copies of letters recd from the Dr of C. S. Madras & Bombay, together with replies thereto re the export of food grains from & to Mysore

71) From,

The Director of C. Supplies

No. Cy 3174 Dt 27-9-18

Forwards the above letters re import of rice required for the State

W D 88—GPB—50,000—24-7-16

In. Ramajapa Rao

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FILE HEADING.

Export of food grains from the State

From

The Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore

No. 25-20 Dated 11.9.18 Received 13.9.18

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for information copies of letters received from the Director of Civil Supplies, Madras & Bombay, together with his replies thereto - regarding the export of food grains from the Mysore -

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1) Submitted
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Office of the Director of Civil Supplies
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Kitchetty Chathram Road.

Bangalore City, 11th September 1918

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From

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C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Esq., B. A., B. L.,
Director of Civil Supplies and Controller of Prices.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His
Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

S i r,

I have the honour to submit for the information of Government copies of letters received from the Directors of Civil Supplies, Madras and Bombay together with my replies thereto.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant.

C Ranganatha Rao Sahib
Director of Civil Supplies.

SSR.

Copy of letter No.C.No.1033/18-3 dated 7th September 1918 from the Director of Civil Supplies Madras to the Director of Civil Supplies Bangalore.

With reference to your letter 2255 dated 3rd September 1918 and your No.2254 dated 3rd September 1918 enclosing the Government of Mysore Order No.G.2714/26/pp 66.18.1 dated 6th August 1918, I have the honour to observe that this order regulating the export of food grains from Mysore was published on 6th August. and that this is the first copy which you have sent me, and the first time you have communicated with me on the subject, (apart from our brief conversation at Nagpur. when I understood that you were regulating export only).. Further. this is the first intimation I have had that you have sent none of the Ragi to Ootacamund. with regard to which I have forwarded applications to you asking for the issue of certificates. The total number of waggons so required was about 35, I think, and by not informing me that you were refusing certificates Ootacamund, which has to import all its food, is getting very dangerously short. I particularly request that a few wagons may be sent up at once: and that you will telegraph to me what you can do.

2. While your district ~~officers~~ officers are enquiring and finding out what is the normal export and import by your - different roads of rice, paddy, ragi, etc., and in the meanwhile stopping all export, I suppose that I had better stop all movements of grain into Mysore pending the result of these enquiries. Orders will be issued accordingly: and I would suggest that you should get your enquiries completed as soon as possible. I enclose an advance copy of my draft order.

"C O P Y"

C Ranganatha Rao Sahib
Director of ~~Civil Supplies~~.

N.P.S.

DRAFT ORDER.

In view of the order of the Government of Mysore No.2714-26/PP 66-18-1 dated 6th August 1918, instituting the regulation of the export of food grains under control, and the actual prohibition of all export pending further arrangements:-

It is hereby ordered that export of all food grains from every District in this Presidency to the Mysore Province be prohibited, - whether by road or rail, except on certificate, until further orders.

2. In the meantime the collectors of Districts bordering on Mysore are requested to enquire into and report the usual movements of grain along the roads between their District and Mysore. This can- probably be best ascertained by reference to tell figures, and to - weekly snandies.

Office of the Director of
Civil Supplies,
Madras, 7th September 1918.

sd/ R.B.Wood,
Director of Civil Supplies.

C O P Y

C Rangamanna Dera Sahib
Director of Civil Supplies.

Copy of letter No.2649 D.C.S. dated 5/6th September 1918 from the Director of Civil Supplies Bombay to the Director of Civil Supplies Bangalore.

I have the honour to say a merchant brought a telegram from his despatcher in Bangalore to-day to the effect that the movement of Ragi was not permitted by you. In this connection I have the honour to draw your attention to my No.1877 of the 26th of August and of telegram No.2162 of the 30th of August, and to request the favour of a very early reply. I assume -- that you are falling in with the recommendations of the Nagpur Conference pending their confirmation by the Government of India. I must particularly ask you to favour me by return with a report of action taken on all passes forwarded to you by me for endorsement. Failing such advices the work of this office as Director of a large importing Province becomes almost impossible.

" C O P Y"

C Rangaswamy Naidu Rao Sahib
Director of Civil Supplies.

N.P.S.

No.
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Office of the Director of Civil Supplies
and Controller of Prices in Mysore.
Kitchetty Chathram Road.

Bangalore City, 11th September 1918

From

C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Esq., B. A., B. L.,
Director of Civil Supplies and Controller of Prices.

To

R. B: W o o d Esquire, I.C.S.,
Director of Civil Supplies,
M a d r a s.

S i r,

With reference to your letter No.C.1033/18-3 dated the 7th September 1918, I have the honour to state that I do not know if the Government of Mysore have sent official intimation about the order of the 6th August 1918 to the Government of Madras. You will remember, however, that I had a copy of the order with me when I was sitting beside you at the Conference at Nagpur and that I requested you to read it through. As I have repeatedly stated I am quite prepared to send definite quantities of ragi periodically to Cuttacmund if you will kindly enquire and let me know the minimum monthly requirements of that place. In anticipation of your reply and Government orders I have forwarded priority certificates issued by you during the month of September for 7 waggons of ragi to Cuttacamund and I shall take further action on hearing from you. In regard to your remarks in the second paragraph of your letter, I have to point out that exports by road to parts of the Madras Presidency have not been stopped and that licences are being issued by the local District Officers. I therefore hope that you will not issue the contemplated draft order of which you have been good enough to send me a copy.

I have the honour to be
S i r,
Your most obedient serv
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No.
Encl.

Office of the Director of Civil Supplies
and Controller of Prices in Mysore.
Kitchetty Chathram Road.

Bangalore City, 11th September 1918.

From

C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Esq., B. A., B. L.,
Director of Civil Supplies and Controller of Prices.

To

The Director of Civil Supplies.
B o m b a y.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter No.2649 dated the 6th September 1918. I have to invite your attention to my letter No. 2256 dated the 2nd September 1918 and to state - that the situation here is rather worse than it was on that - date. I have just returned from Davanagere which is the central market in the northern part of the State where the merchants have gathered large quantities of grains imported from the southern parts which could ill afford to spare them. In consequence the situation in the southern parts of the State is so serious that a breach of the public peace is expected here. The rains have been holding off and on the whole the outlook is thoroughly gloomy. I really do not know how I can under these circumstances endorse any certificates authorising the export of food grains from the State. Herewith for your information copy of a letter send to me on the 10th instant by the Honorary President of this Municipality which gives an idea of the state of things here at present.

2. You will remember that at the Nagpur Conference I represented that wewere short of stocks and that we ourselves require food grains for local consumption. It was on my - representation that the Food and Fodder Sub Committee did not impose on the Mysore State any responsibility of supplying

food grains to any outside area.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

Director of Civil Supplies.

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Office of the Director of Civil Supplies
and Controller of Prices in Mysore,
Kitchetty Chathram Road,

Bangalore City, 25th September 18.

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From

C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Esq., B. A., B. L.,

Director of Civil Supplies and Controller of Prices.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

S i r

I have the honour to submit herewith, for the information of Government copies of letters Nos.C.1033/185 dated - 13th September 1918, and C.1033/18-7 dated 19th September 1918 from the Director of Civil Supplies, Madras and copy of my - reply thereto.

I have the honour to be,

S i r ,

Your most obedient servant,

K H Ramayya

for Director of Civil Supplies.

N.P.S.

Copy of letter No.1033/18-5 dated 13th September 1918 from the Director of Civil Supplies, Madras to the Director of Civil Sypplies, Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No.2353 dated 5th September 1918, I have the honour to reply that the supplies of rice in Kistna District (where Gudivada is) as well as in - Godavari and Guntur are so short that all movements out of these districts have had to be ~~xxxxxxx~~ stopped. With reference to your imports of rice, your requirements may be taken on the basis of 300,000 Maunds a year, as 10,000 tons or 20 unit wagons of 10 tons each per week including the Kolar Gold Fields requirements, I could distribute this between different stations in this Presidency, with some difficulty: please let me know how this would suit you.

2. Turning to the dry grain question, and taking the figures of the same year, you sent us 635,000 Mds of ragi and 457,000 Mds. of gram by rail, net: which means 21,000 and 15,200 tons respectively. I assume that you cannot do that this year: but can you estimate how much you will be able to do?

3. Your export to the Niligiris alone was 112,000 Mds. or 4,070 tons, or approximately 4 wagons of 20 tons each per week.

P.S. Since writing the above I ~~can for~~ have seen you. I should however like a reply to this, and you may also correct figures which are wrong.

"C O P Y"

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N.P.S.

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for Director of Civil Supplies.

Copy of letter No.1033/18-7 dated 19th September 1918 from the Director of Civil Supplies Madras to the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No.2325/ dated 4th September 1918, I have the honour to return the enclosures and to state that the Districts of Kristna, Godavari and Guntur have no stocks of rice to spare. For the present your merchants could buy rice from stations in Tanjore district, and broken rice from the Madras Harbour: the question of the -- sources where rice can be obtained is a difficult one and is under enquiry.

"C O P Y"

N.F.S.

For Director of Civil Supplies.

Copy of letter dated 24th September 1918 from the Director of Civil Supplies to the Director of Civil Supplies Madras.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th and 19th instants. With reference to the first letter, I have to state that I do not know on what basis you have calculated the net imports of rice into the Mysore State at about 300,000 mds a year. I believe you have taken the statistics for the year 1916-17 during which the imports were equivalent to the figure you have adopted. This was a year of bumper rice crop in the State and gives no adequate idea of the normal dependence of this State on imports from outside for its rice requirements. I venture to forward to you a copy of my "Review of Trade of the Mysore State for 1916-17" although I believe one copy was already sent to you. You will observe in page 32 of this Review I have calculated in great detail the rice traffic of the Mysore State for the last four years. The figures have reference to paddy and relate to pallas of 100 measuring seers. As you are perfectly aware the rice outturn of paddy is about a half and I know that a palla of rice weighs about 246 pounds or 3 railway maunds. Adopting the figures I have given in my report I find that the net imports of rice into the Mysore State for the last three years are as follows:--

1914-1915.	10,39,869 maunds.
1915-1916.	7,67,247 "
1916-1917.	3,68,124 "

Taking an average you will see that the net import of rice is about 725,000 maunds per annum or about 26,000 tons giving a weekly import of 496 tons. I need hardly state that the present season is much worse than 1914-1915 and that the normal requirements of our State are probably much in excess of the imports we obtained that year.

In view of the difficulties in Madras also I shall be content if you can permit at least the average imports to come into the State. I am obliged for your telegram referring me to obtain supplies from Tanjore District. I am informed by merchants here that no raw rice can be obtained from Tanjore. As the supplies of rice in Bangalore have been reduced to a dangerous point I have been compelled to request the Director of Director of Civil Supplies, Bihar and Orissa to send me some quantity from his district. I

I should therefore request you to consider at your earliest convenience and intimate to me the districts from which I -- might obtain supplies of raw rice for consumption in the State.

With reference to your figures relating dry grain I shall submit to you a letter in detail in the course of a few days. We have agreed however that 2,000 bags of ragi should be exported every month to Ootacamund and I shall do my best to see that the supplies are regularly forwarded. I may mention that priority certificates have already been issued for 850 bags for export to Ootacamund. I have just received a complaint from you that normal exports into the Wynad are not being permitted by the Deputy Commissioner of Mysore. I have addressed him a letter asking him to do his best to assist. The arrangements that I am making to ensure regular supplies of ragi to places in the State as well as outside are likely to take sometime before they are fully matured. I would beg of you to have some patience in the matter and rely upon my doing all im my power towards keeping normal traffic.

"C O P Y"

N.P.S.

for Director of Civil Supplies.